**Driver charged with DUI after crash near bridge**

by Teresa Eubanks, Journal Editor

A Friday night wreck just east of the Apalachicola River bridge in Bristol damaged a pickup truck and a guardrail, blocked traffic for nearly an hour and sent a man to jail for driving under the influence.

Jimmy Allen O’Bryan, 49, of Turkey Creek Road in Bristol was charged with DUI, careless driving and possession of an open container of alcohol after losing control of the Chevrolet S-10 he was driving around 9:41 p.m.

According to the report filed by FHP Trooper Jason King, O’Bryan was eastbound, traveling in both lanes of SR 20 as he came into a slight uphill curve to the left and lost control of the vehicle, colliding with a guardrail.

After impact, the truck rotated clockwise and came to rest in the middle of the road. O’Bryan was not seriously injured and declined medical assistance.

King arrived to find O’Bryan sitting behind the wheel with an open can of beer on the driver’s side floorboard. O’Bryan pleaded with the trooper not to arrest him, stating, “I am sorry. I only drank a little.”

**Woman suffers head injury after mishap at boat ramp Saturday**

by Teresa Eubanks, Journal Editor

A Bristol woman was flown by emergency helicopter to a Tallahassee hospital after she sustained a serious head wound when she got out of a truck that was rolling down a boat ramp Saturday night.

Liberty County Deputy Darrell D. Johnson, II was dispatched to the Bloody Bluff Boat Landing in neighboring Franklin County at 8:54 p.m., where he found Audrea Creamer, 36, with part of her head peeled back and her skull partially exposed.

Creamer’s husband, Bobby Creamer, 38, said his wife had backed a Ford F-150 pickup and boat down the ramp. The truck continued to roll as she exited through the passenger’s side window of the vehicle and apparently fell, with something catching her scalp and pulling it back.

She was brought to the Liberty County athletic field where she was put on a helicopter and taken to Tallahassee Memorial Regional.

She was released from the hospital Tuesday and is now home recovering.

**JAMBOREE**

A trio of Tigers pounce on Bulldog Alex Marlowe as he makes his way down the field during Friday’s Football Jamboeree in Blountstown. STORY PAGE 9.

**Catfish Crawl lures 124 runners to Depot Park**

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A Calhoun County man who fled the scene when deputies were called to his home on Walter Potts Road near the Calhoun County/Jackson County line late last year was taken into custody last week.

Jerry Wayne Johnson, 39, was charged with felony domestic battery by strangulation and child abuse following an incident at his home on Dec. 29 of last year.

According to a report from the Calhoun County Sheriff’s Office, deputies arrived at the home following an altercation and found Johnson’s wife visibly shaken, with red marks on her neck, dried blood on the side of her face and a possible broken knuckle.

She told deputies Johnson was intoxicated and started an argument with her 12-year-old son. She said the boy pushed him away and ran from the home when it appeared Johnson was about to hit him. Johnson then turned on her, she said, and started an argument that resulted in violence. She said he hit her all over her head, then put her on the kitchen floor and began choking her. Her son and another man attempted to pull off of her. The 12-year-old had to kick him in the head to get Johnson away from her, her mother said.

He was taken into custody on May 14 and later given a conditional release.

**Theft charge filed against woman for stealing from freezer**

A 40-year-old Altha woman was charged with petty theft after a witness reported seeing her running from a shed where his family’s freezer is stored.

Kerria Theon Lewis, 45, learned that her son had seen something suspicious May 11 but he could not determine if anything had been removed.

Once Lewis looked through the freezer, she realized some packs of chicken as well as a 10-15 lb. bag of crawfish was missing. She valued the items at $24.99.

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Intoxicated driver & brother arrested after traveling wrong way on Hwy. 71

by Teresa Eubanks, Journal Editor

A 26-year-old Quincy man with no driver’s license was found to be three times over the legal limit following his arrest for DUI after he was stopped driving the wrong way on Hwy. 71 during an afternoon of heavy traffic through Blountstown.

His passenger was also arrested after it was learned he was wanted on two DUI warrants in Liberty County.

FHP Trooper Wes Harsey was nearby when an alert was issued at 5:21 p.m. Saturday for a black 2000 Ford Mustang traveling north on the southbound lane of SR 71 near Pole Road.

Harsey came south from Gaskins Street and met the Mustang traveling the wrong way on Hwy. 71. When he turned around to make a traffic stop, the Mustang swerved into the northbound lane. The driver came to a complete stop halfway into the northbound lane against a metal guardrail, just south of Gaskins Street.

The trooper was “immediately hit with the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his breath and person” when he approached the driver’s door, according to his report.

A Mexican Voter’s Registration Card identified the driver as Candido Hurtado-Solano. The trooper saw a bottle of beer concealed between the driver’s seat and the center console.

Both the driver, who was described in the arrest report as “obviously intoxicated” and his brother, identified by his Mexican Driver’s License as Juan Hurtado-Solano, were taken into custody.

The driver’s brother was “heavily intoxicated” and ignored Harsey’s instructions to remain seated on a guardrail and out of the roadway, resulting in him being handcuffed along with his brother and taken to the county jail.

The driver’s wife, who had no ID, was escorted to the jail to make arrangements for someone to come pick her up.

Numerous beer bottles were found during an inventory of the car. An empty 12 ounce beer bottle was found on the passenger’s side floorboard. A six-pack of beer was found in the right floorboard. Five beer bottle caps had been left in the handle of the driver’s door.

The car, which was registered to the driver, was impounded.

A breath test to determine the driver’s level of intoxication resulted in readings of .285 and .294, more than three times the legal limit of .08.

The driver was charged with DUI and no valid driver’s license. The booking officer found that the driver was wanted on a Calhoun County warrant on prior DUI charges as well as for attaching a tag not assigned and no valid driver’s license. He was also cited for driving on the wrong side of the road, failure to wear a seatbelt and having an open container of alcohol.

The passenger was held due to his being intoxicated and was found to be wanted on two DUI warrants in Liberty County. He was also cited for not wearing a seatbelt and having an open container of alcohol.

Both are being held for immigration.

Speeding driver with open bottle of tequila arrested after traffic stop

A man heading home following a night of partying is facing several charges after an FHP Trooper saw him go around another vehicle in a no-passing area despite the double solid yellow line marking that stretch of road as a no passing area.

When he turned his lights on and pulled up behind the van, the driver ahead of him accelerated rapidly and pulled away from the patrol car.

The trooper followed the van for about a mile with lights and siren activated before the driver pulled onto the shoulder of the road, just south of First Street.

When he approached the driver, Harsey saw that he wasn’t wearing his seatbelt and his clothing was disheveled, with his pants unzipped and his shirt half-unbuttoned. And he noticed a 750 liter bottle of Patron Tequila that was three-quarters empty in the console.

When asked for his license, Jose Concilio, 30, told the trooper he was arrested for DUI after he pulled over in front of a deputy on CR 275N at 12:09 a.m. Sunday and drove down the middle of the road for about 100 yards.

Calhoun County Deputy Jody Hoagland reported seeing the Ford pickup pull out from a driveway and onto the road, where it straddled the yellow line while driving partially in both lanes.

The truck traveled into the northbound lane and continued there for a half mile until driving back into the center of the road, where the driver continued on for about 75 yards.

Hoagland conducted a traffic stop near the intersection of Magnolia Church Road.

When the deputy explained why he had been pulled over, Parrish said that he had consumed a few beers at a gathering at his sister’s home. When asked how much he had to drink, he replied, “Probably too much.”

After performing poorly on a series of roadside sobriety exercises, Parrish was taken into custody.

A breath test to determine his level of intoxication resulted in readings of .144 and .134. The legal limit is .08.

He was also given a warning for failure to maintain a single line and issued a citation for having an open container of alcohol.

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Serenity Garden dedication set for Thursday, May 24

Calhoun-Liberty Hospital, along with Keep Calhoun County Beautiful, Inc., will host a “Serenity Garden” Dedication Ceremony Thursday, May 24 at 6 p.m. (CT).

This project was made possible by Keep Calhoun County Beautiful, Inc., an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, Inc.

KCCB, Inc. is a volunteer organization that strives to provide our citizens with a better quality of life by promoting beautification and litter control.

It is our hope that this garden will provide a serene retreat for families of patients and employees alike, in times of stress or merely to have a space to re-evaluate everyday challenges.

The grounds have been landscaped with colorful, low maintenance flowers and shrubs, along with concrete tables and benches. The entrance to the garden is designated with a white trellis, underneath the trellis is a plaque bearing the “Serenity Prayer.”

Please join us for this occasion as Calhoun-Liberty Hospital and Keep Calhoun County Beautiful, Inc. join forces in their effort to provide our citizens with a better quality of life.

Credit Union plans retirement party for Patricia Free May 25

The Calhoun-Liberty Employees Credit Union invites everyone to come by the credit union (Blountstown Branch) on Friday, May 25 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. (CT) for Patricia Free’s retirement party.

Tricia has been with the credit union since January of 1994. She has been a faithful employee and an asset to this credit union as well as a friend to the staff, Board of Directors, Supervisory Committee and many members for 18 years.

Please come by to enjoy refreshments and wish Tricia good luck on her retirement.

We will miss her dearly.

Calhoun Co. Adult School Graduation

Calhoun County Adult School Graduation has been moved to Monday, June 4 at the W.T. Neal Civic Center at 7 p.m. (CT).

Any GED or Adult High School student receiving a diploma from June 2011 through May 2012 through the Calhoun County Testing Center is encouraged to participate in the ceremony.

Attempts to contact everyone have been made, but if you are one of the possible participants and you have not spoken with someone from the Adult School, please call 674-6490 immediately!

Memorial Day program planned Monday at Calhoun Courthouse

The American Legion Post 272 and the Apalachkee Valley Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 12010 will perform a Memorial Day Ceremony at the Calhoun County Courthouse on May 28 at 9 a.m. (CT) in remembrance of the men and women who have paid the ultimate price for our freedom.

The Veterans cordially invite all who would like to attend to join them.

Blountstown Middle School’s third annual art show set May 26

Blountstown Middle School will hold its third annual art show Saturday, May 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Tuesday, May 29 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. It will be held at the Preble-Rish Gallery at the corner of Central Ave. and Pear St. in Blountstown.

All parents, students and the public are welcome to attend.

Summer Programs

Summer is almost here. It is time to come into your local library and pick up your registration forms for your Kindergarten through third grade children. Our Summer FLYP Program “Dream Big - Read” starts June 11.

Place and Time:

• Altha Public Library, Mondays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
• Blountstown Public Library, Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
• Kinard Park Public Library, Tuesdays from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
• Hugh Creek Park Public Library, Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
• Shelton Park Public Library, Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The Blountstown Public Library is accepting registrations for the summer Florida Library Youth Programs, F.L.Y.P. 4 ART with instructor Anna Layton. This one day intensive workshop will be held Saturday, June 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Heritage Room of the Library.

Youth, ages eight to 14 years of age may attend. There is a limit, so sign up soon. There is no charge for the class and all materials will be supplied.

In the session students will have fun sketching, painting, weaving and being musical. The library is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday thru Thursday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

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That’s how many copies of The Calhoun-Liberty Journal were distributed last week, ensuring plenty of coverage for your community announcements and great response for our business advertisers!
Gopher Tortoise Management Plan draft updated, ready for public input

A new draft of the five-year update to the Gopher Tortoise Management Plan for the state is available for review. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) is asking for public input.

The threatened gopher tortoise is classified as a keystone species, because its extensive burrows offer shelter to more than 350 other species such as the federally threatened eastern indigo snake. Gopher tortoises were identified more than 235 years ago by naturalist William Bartram as he explored Florida.

“Gopher tortoise burrows average 6.5 feet deep and 15 feet long, provide a home for hundreds of other species and offer great amenities: constant temperature, refuge from fires and bad weather, and protection from predators,” said Deborah Burr, the FWC’s gopher tortoise plan coordinator. “When gopher tortoises decline, so do the occupants of their burrows, such as indigo snakes, gopher frogs and burrowing owls.

“The revised draft Gopher Tortoise Management Plan for the first time addresses the total picture of the tortoise and its tenants,” Burr said.

The draft plan and link to comment on the plan are available at MyFWC.com/GopherTortoise. Public comment will be accepted on the draft plan through June 25. More than 100 individuals and stakeholders already have made suggestions on improving the original 2007 plan, through written input and a public meeting.

The draft revisions to the Gopher Tortoise Management Plan are scheduled to go before the FWC’s Commissioners at their September 5-6 meeting.

The objectives of the draft plan are:

• Minimize loss of gopher tortoises by ensuring humane, responsible relocation from lands slated for development;
• Increase and improve species’ habitat;
• Enhance and restore populations where the species no longer occurs or has been severely depleted;
• Maintain its function as a keystone species by also conserving commensal species.

Florida’s first Gopher Tortoise Management Plan was approved by the FWC in 2007 and was scheduled to be updated five years later.

Under the original plan, Florida has made progress in slowing the decline of gopher tortoises by providing options to move tortoises off lands slated for development as well as opportunities for homeowners and landowners interested in conserving tortoises on their property.

Since 2007, the plan has restored and managed an annual average of 36,000 acres of gopher tortoise habitat, expanded protected tortoise habitat by more than 6,500 acres, and humanely relocated than 4,000 gopher tortoises from development sites to public and private properties that afford the species long-term conservation.

Stakeholders in the Gopher Tortoise Technical Assistance Group were instrumental in the development and implementation of the Gopher Tortoise Management Plan and continue to provide input during the plan’s revision process. Assistance group representatives come from a wide range of interests: industry, conservation, land development, state and local government, universities and research, commercial services, private landowners, large federal and state land managers, animal advocacy and the general public.

In Florida, it is illegal to harm gopher tortoises or their burrows.
Late Night Laughs

A RECAP OF RECENT OBSERVATIONS BY LATE NIGHT TV HOSTS.

Florida's board of education has decided to lower the passing grade on standardized tests after noticing a drastic drop in student passing scores. In other words, if the students don't do well enough on the tests, they don't teach them better, they just lower the bar. Why didn't we think of this before? Imagine how many more doctors we could've had right now.

— JAY LENO

Facebook founder and CEO Mark Zuckerberg turned 28 last week. He got a watch from his girlfriend, a sweater from his parents, and from the rest of us, all of our credit card numbers. — CONAN O'BRIEN

On the first day of trading, Facebook shares rose less than expected. We were promised that Facebook would take off like a rocket. Apparently it's a North Korean rocket.

— JAY LENO

On this day (May 18) in 1860, the Republican Party nominated Abraham Lincoln as a presidential candidate. During the campaign he raised about $1 million. You know how he was able to raise that money at campaign gatherings? He passed around his giant hat.

— DAVID LETTERMAN

Scientists at NASA say asteroids are dangerously aligned with the earth's orbit and are large enough to enter our atmosphere without breaking apart. But they also say we shouldn't panic. You know, if you didn't want us to panic, maybe you shouldn't have put out a press release saying there were 4,700 asteroids hurtling toward the earth.

— JIMMY FALLON

Last week Mitt Romney started giving speeches while standing in front of a giant U.S. debt clock. When asked what it was like campaigning with a large electronic object, the debt clock was like, “Not bad.”

— JIMMY FALLON

The Justice Department has launched a probe into J.P. Morgan's $2.3 billion loss. I believe it's called “Operation Wink, Mod, and Look the Other Way.”

— JAY LENO

It's the 85th Anniversary of Lindbergh's solo transatlantic flight. Coincidentally, it's the last time an American was greeted warmly in France.

— DAVID LETTERMAN

President Obama is calling for more government reform after J.P. Morgan's $2 billion loss. Really, is that what we need — the government stepping in? You know what's going to happen? The government's going to teach them how to lose $2 billion a DAY!!

— JAY LENO

An aquarium in the U.K. claims that it has the world's first vegetarian shark. Either that or they're playing a really mean prank on Nigel the tank cleaner.

— JIMMY FALLON

Ron Paul has announced he's no longer campaigning. He's dropped out of the race. Can you tell the difference?

— DAVID LETTERMAN

During a speech in Ohio, Joe Biden criticized Republicans for not understanding the middle class. In response, Mitt Romney was like, “That’s ridiculous. Some of my best friends’ gardeners are middle class.”

— JIMMY FALLON

The average college graduate now leaves school $27,000 in debt. But the good news is that now it means they are more than qualified to work as financial advisers at J.P. Morgan.

— JAY LENO

CNN's ratings hit a 15-year low this week. In fact, things are so bad at CNN, Wolf Blitzer started renting out “The Situation Room” for birthday parties.

— JIMMY FALLON

Bring back the Glass-Steagall Act

Banks today are not the banks of yore when banks held your money, maybe paid a small interest rate and lent money to people with rock solid credit. You could be assured that your money was safe. Not today. J.P. Morgan Chase, Wall Street's largest bank, disclosed a trading loss of $2 billion. The loss came as a result of trading in risky credit derivatives to hedge against potential losses on various financial instruments.

How did America's financial markets get into the risky business mode? The answer is the revoking of the Glass-Steagall Banking Act. The following excerpts from Wikipedia explains the history of Glass-Steagall.

The Banking Act of 1933, enacted June 16, 1933, was a law that established the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) in the United States and imposed banking reforms, several of which were intended to control speculation. It is often referred to as the Glass-Steagall Act, after its Congressional sponsors, Senator Carter Glass (D) of Virginia, and Representative Henry B. Steagall (D) of Alabama.

The term Glass–Steagall Act, however, is most often used to refer to four provisions of the Banking Act of 1933 that limited commercial bank securities activities and affiliations between commercial banks and securities firms. Starting in the early 1960s federal banking regulators interpreted these provisions to permit commercial banks and especially commercial bank affiliates to engage in an expanding range of securities activities. By the time the affiliation restrictions in the Glass–Steagall Act were repealed through the Gramm–Leach–Bliley Act in 1999 by President Bill Clinton, many commentators argued Glass-Steagall was already “dead.”

Most notably, Citibank’s 1998 affiliation with Salomon Smith Barney, one of the largest US securities firms, was permitted under the Federal Reserve Board’s then existing interpretation of the Glass-Steagall Act.

If Glass-Steagall was re-enacted, America's financial system would be more stable with less risk. Banks couldn’t play casino games with depositor’s funds. However, an investment firm could take the risk.

Those people that wanted Glass-Steagall repealed believed and still believe that Wall Street will always act in a rational manner. The markets aren’t rational and neither is America's financial system. After the 2008 financial meltdown that brought America to its knees, there were attempts to reign in Wall Street. The Dodd-Frank bill was an anemic attempt to establish some control on the financial markets, but Republicans have the long knives out for Dodd-Frank to protect their corporate benefactors on Wall Street.

Republicans claim that Dodd-Frank is hindering the “job creators” in creating jobs. Trading in credit derivatives does not create jobs. It’s gambling. It’s not lending money to a company to build a shopping mall. It’s a paper game. Not all of these risky trading events lose money. Frequently, a bank will reap a gazillion dollars from one of the events. We don’t hear about their successes, just their losses, as is the case of J.P. Morgan Chase.

Will the 2008 Wall Street crisis be repeated? Most likely. Will the Congress exercise any control over the financial markets and reduce gambling with depositor’s funds and maybe re-enact the Glass-Steagall Act? Not likely, when Republicans control the House.
WASHINGTON – President Obama will never be called the great communicator because he’s not getting credit for a lot of the positive things he’s doing for the economy. It’s understandable that he doesn’t want to cheer lead too much when so many people are out of work and struggling, but he shouldn’t be shy about touting news that can help homeowners avoid foreclosure.

It’s well known that the banks have been derelict for the last three years, accepting bailout money from the federal government and then sitting on that money instead of loaning it out and getting the economy moving. The administration has launched a variety of programs to ease the foreclosure crisis, but none have been particularly effective until perhaps now.

Responding to what must have been mounting White House pressure, Bank of America is offering a significant new program that has the potential of easing if not ending the foreclosure crisis plaguing homeowners and stalling economic growth. Get out your calculators because this looks like the real deal.

Often when things look too good to be true, they’re not, but Bank of America is one of the nation’s major banks and what they do will establish a precedent that other banks will be hard pressed to ignore. BofA announced that it will honor short sales and also waive any deficiency balances, music to the ears of stressed homeowners.

Here’s how it works: An appraiser sets the price, so it’s realistic, and if the house doesn’t sell the first 21 days, there can be a price reduction – indeed there can be three price reductions. And if it doesn’t sell after 120 days, the homeowner deeds the house back to the bank. If the sale price is less than what the homeowner owes on the house, the bank accepts the price and waives the deficient amount, as opposed to what banks have done up until now – either reject the offer as too low, or come after the homeowner to make up the difference.

For those who want to stay in their home and have fallen behind, BofA is offering principal reductions. This makes a great deal of sense, yet it has met stiff resistance mainly from Republicans, who view it as a handout that is undeserved. Here’s how their thinking goes: If you’re a homeowner and you’ve scrimped and saved to make your payments, why should a neighbor of yours who maybe bought a boat, or took an expensive vacation, and then fell behind on his mortgage payments – why should he get help from the government?

Looking at the world this way presumes that everybody who can’t make their payments is somehow undeserving when the vast majority of those who get caught up in a vortex of debt got there for reasons most of us would consider valid – illness, unemployment and in the case of the housing bubble that popped, loans that should never have been made. But whose fault was that?

A banking industry drunk on bundling mortgages and securitizing them in what became known as credit default swaps bears the brunt of what went wrong in the U.S. housing market. It’s still not fixed, but Bank of America’s willingness to work with homeowners and set prices that are realistic could lead the way to finally address the overhang of foreclosures that is keeping the economy from fully rebounding. The banks should have done this three years ago, when too many homeowners have paid the price for their negligence, but good news should be celebrated whenever it arrives and Obama should shout this development from the rooftops.
Liberty & Calhoun County can now view updated preliminary flood hazard maps

HAVANA – Residents of Liberty and Calhoun Counties can now view preliminary flood hazard maps updated by the Northwest Florida Water Management District at portal.nwfwmdfloodmaps.com. “These preliminary flood hazard maps were released September 30, 2011 and have not yet been officially adopted,” said Ron Bartel, Director of the District’s Division of Resource Management.

“The public is first provided a 90-day appeal period, which began April 25, 2012 in Liberty County and April 27, 2012 in Calhoun County and runs through July 23 (Liberty) and July 25 (Calhoun).” Appeals must show that proposed additions or modifications for preliminary base flood elevations, base flood depths, special flood hazard areas or regulatory floodway boundaries are scientifically or technically incorrect.

Additional information on the appeals process can be found at www.nwfwmdfloodmaps.com/documents/AppealProcess010912.pdf. After all appeals received, it will take about nine months for the flood maps to become effective. At that time, property owners in high-risk areas may be required to carry flood insurance as part of their mortgage agreement. A money-saving insurance option known as “grandfathering” may be available. More information on grandfathering can be found at www.nwfwmdfloodmaps.com/pdf/SavingOnFloodInsurance-OT2007.pdf.

Liberty County School Board is proposing changes to or creation of the following policies:

*3.30 RESPONSIBILITIES OF PRINCIPALS
*3.80 SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS
*4.14 ADULT EDUCATION
*5.81 CONCUSSION SAFETY (NEW)
*6.542 FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE
*6.981 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT POLICY (NEW)
*7.11 ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER (NEW)
*8.61 TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INTERNET USE SAFETY
*9.60 VISITORS

A public hearing on these policies will be held on June 12, 2012 at the Liberty County Administrative Offices, Hwy 12 South, Bristol, FL 32321 at 6 p.m.

Copies of all policies are available at the Superintendent’s Office.
The Blountstown Tigers hosted a spring football jamboree May 18 with Sneads and Liberty County each coming to play in the contest. Each team played two quarters against the others at Bowles Field in Blountstown.

The Tigers opened against the Sneads Pirates and the spring rust showed early for Blountstown. Sneads used an 80 yard run up the middle to move to the Tiger goal line and then punched it in for the early 6-0 lead. With no special teams play in the contest all teams were required to go for two points after a touchdown. The conversion failed as the Tiger defense stopped the Pirates short.

An unforced Blountstown fumble gave Sneads the ball near mid-field and the Pirates used a long pass to set up their second score of the game. This time the conversion was good and Sneads held a 14-0 lead. The Tiger defense started getting more pressure on the Pirates and the result was a Sneads fumble the Tigers returned for a touchdown. The conversion failed and the half ended with Sneads ahead 14-6.

In the second contest of the night, Liberty County scored early as the Bulldog running attack kept Sneads moving backwards. Liberty used a 61-yard run and then scored again on a short run to move ahead 16-0 after making both two-point conversions. Neither team scored in the second quarter and Liberty ended the half ahead by 16.

The final contest of the night featured Blountstown and Liberty County. The Bulldogs threatened as they moved the ball inside the Tiger ten yard line, but the Blountstown defense stiffened and shut down the Bulldog attack.

Both teams had trouble holding onto the ball, but in the end it was a Liberty fumble that would prove to be the most costly as the Tigers converted the miscue into a touchdown to win the half 6-0.

DANIEL WILLIAMS PHOTOS

Blountstown Tigers host spring football jamboree May 18; Tigers beat Bulldogs 6-0, Bulldogs overcome Sneads by 16
AMAZING WONDERS AVIATION
– You’re clear for takeoff at Amazing Wonders Aviation at Lake Mystic Baptist Church. Come join us as we fly to some of the world’s greatest natural wonders and encounter God’s awesome power. As we fly around the world, passengers will takeoff from worship at The Worship Rally Hangar and make their first stop at the Paricutin Volcano for a light meal. While flying around the world passengers will also visit:
  • Bible Study at Victoria Falls
  • Missions
  • Music
  • Recreation and Crafts at the Great Barrier Reef
It’s Vacation Bible School at Lake Mystic Baptist Church starting Sunday, June 3 to Thursday, June 7 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. (ET). For age four through fifth grade.
For more information, call the church office at 643-2351 or by email at www.lakemysticbaptist@gmail.com.

DANIELLE ROSE IN CONCERT
– The St. Francis Church of Blountstown will host contemporary Christian performer Danielle Rose in concert on Thursday, June 7 starting at 7 p.m. (CT).
There will be a complimentary pasta dinner from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and a meet the artist reception and dessert following the concert.
Tickets are $10 per adult and children under 12 are free. One hundred percent of ticket sales go to Danielle’s Charity.
For more information and tickets, contact (850) 674-1208 or Danielle Rose.

FINES ARTS SERIES PRESENTS – St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Marianna will be hosting the Fine Arts Series as they present the Atlantic Children’s Chorale Twenty Voices, who will be visiting from Vero Beach Sunday, June 17 at 6 p.m. (CT).
Donations will be accepted for the series.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – Corinth Baptist Church will kick off VBS June 9 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Then, June 10-14 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Children, ages pre-school through fifth grade are eligible to participate. There will be free food, fun and games.
For more information, call 228-4870.

NOTES OF THANKS
I would like to thank the Liberty County Lions Club for sponsoring my son, Wesley Rogers at the 2012 Youth Leadership Conference at Florida State University this month. Wesley learned about leadership, the importance of our state leaders and how to put others first.
He had the opportunity to visit the state capitol and meet many of our leaders. He hopes to have the opportunity to attend the conference again next year.
Once again, thank you.
Denise Stull

The staff of the Hosford Post Office would like to thank everyone who so generously contributed to the Letter Carriers Food Drive held Saturday, May 12. All food collected will be distributed locally by the Pentecostal Holiness Church
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Well now, isn’t this Nifty

Karen G. Sykes will be celebrating her 60th birthday June 2. Not far behind her is her brother and sister, twins, celebrating their 58th birthday June 4, Mitchell Fine and Marsha Alford.

This is just three of the seven children born to Betty Henthorn. All were born and raised in Ft. Myers and all seven children, along with their mother, moved to Hosford in the 1980s and live within a mile of mom.

Karen Gail insists that God had a plan for their large family after losing their father when they were young. He brought them to the ‘Land of Paradise’ here on earth, ‘God’s Country’.

This is truly our home with love found everywhere. All three will celebrate with a party and will return to memory lane for a week in Ft. Myers.

CAYSON LAYNE GURLIACCIO

Kaycee Ammons and Robert Gurliaccio of Blountstown are proud to announce the birth of their son, Cayson Layne Gurliaccio, born February 16, 2012. He weighed 6 lbs. 12 ozs. and measured 19.3 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Jerilyn Ammons of Bristol and Gordon Ammons of Blountstown. Maternal great-grandmother is Ruby Varnum of Bristol. Paternal grandparents are Robert and Melissa Gurliaccio of Blountstown. Cayson was welcomed home by his proud big sisters, Elizabeth and Belinda and a host of aunts and uncles.

PAYTEN OLIVIA NORRIS

Payten Olivia Norris celebrated her third birthday Monday, May 21. She is the daughter of Aaron and Tonya Norris of Clarksville. Her grandparents are Ronnie and Teresa Forbes of Clarksville and Bill and Jena Norris of Blountstown. Her maternal great-grandparents are Kathleen Pullen and the late James Pullen of Grand Ridge, the late Coy Gene Brown and the late Corlis and Yvonne Forbes. Her paternal great-grandparents are the late Coleman and Irene Johnson and the late Frank and Camilla Norris. She was surprised by her Aunt Tosha and Uncle Justin and they celebrated together with a Max and Ruby themed pool party. She enjoys cooking on her stove, playing doctor and swinging.

IAN SKRABAL

Ian Skrabal, four, completed his first triathlon in 26:14 on May 20. Ian competed in the five and six-year-old division with a course consisting of a 25 yard swim, one mile bike ride and a 1/4 mile run. It was part of the Tallahassee Youth Triathlon Series through the Livestrong Foundation and the USA Triathlon organizations. He is the son of Bryan and Andrea Skrabal in Liberty County.

ELIZABETH AND BELINDA GURLIACCIO

Elizabeth (top) and Belinda (bottom) Gurliaccio will celebrate their third birthday Monday, May 28. They are the daughters of Robert Gurliaccio of Blountstown and Linda Cromer of Georgia. Their grandparents are Robert and Melissa Gurliaccio of Blountstown. They enjoy reading, playing in their toy room and loving on their new brother. They also enjoy spending time at grandma and papa’s house. They will be celebrating with a pool party at their grandparents’ house May 28 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. (CT) with friends and family.

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50TH ANNIVERSARY

James & Patricia Holcomb mark 50th wedding anniversary May 19

James Royce and Patricia Ann Holcomb of Bristol celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, May 19. They were honored at a dinner Friday, May 18 at Captain Anderson’s in Panama City Beach.
The couple were married May 19, 1962 in Bassfield, MS at the home of the bride’s grandfather, Reverend Charlie Nobles.

They are the proud parents of five children: Jamie Holcomb and his wife Randy, Tammy Holcomb Revell and her husband, Tony of Tallahassee, the late Anthony Holcomb and his wife, Pat, Scott Holcomb, Kyle Holcomb and his wife, Misty, all of Bristol; eight grandchildren, Trey Holcomb, Mehgan Holcomb Cole and her husband, Henry, Kale Holcomb and his wife, Whitney, Bayli Holcomb, Kyle Holcomb, Jr. and Jared Holcomb, all of Bristol, Tiffany Revell of Tallahassee and Britney Holcomb of Greensboro; five great-grandchildren, Dylan, Julianna, Hattie, Tess and Cora.

The couple are pictured at left on their wedding day.

Lori Goodman, Kevin Johnson to exchange vows in Dec. 15 ceremony in Blountstown

John and Dorcas Goodman of Bristol are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lori Goodman to Kevin Johnson of Panama City Beach.

Kevin is the son of Ronnie and Lisa Johnson of Panama City Beach and the grandson of Edmond and Fannie Johnson of Phoenix City, AL, Bill and Rita Brent and the late Don Stinnett, all of Panama City Beach.

Lori is a student at FAMU College of Pharmacy, where she will graduate with her PharmD in May of 2013. She is currently on her rotations, while also interning with CVS Pharmacy.

Kevin is a 2009 graduate of Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts in Orlando. He is currently the general manager of Hurricane Oyster Bar and Grill in Grayton Beach and he recently co-founded Farm to Table Catering, Inc.

The couple plan to wed December 15 of this year at The Lake House Restaurant in Blountstown. They will then reside in Panama City Beach.

Griffin, Hill, Jr. to marry June 3

Mike and Seea Griffin are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Raven Leigh Griffin to Charles James Hill, Jr. on June 3 at 4 p.m.

Raven is the granddaughter of Irene Alday Stanley, the late Albert Alday and the late Albrey Stanley, Sharon Griffin and the late J. Carl Griffin, all of Altha. She graduated in 2011 as salutatorian of Altha High School and is currently attending Chipola College in pursuit of her Radiology Technician degree.

James is the son of Charles and Hope Hill of Blountstown. He is the grandson of Cliff and Sharon Meeks of Blountstown and Charles and Linda Hill of Bristol. He is a 2011 graduate of Altha High School and he plans to attend Chipola College to continue his degree in Diesel Mechanics.

All friends and family are invited.
MISS RIVER CITY SET JULY 21 IN BLOUNTSTOWN

Contestants advance to the 2013 Miss Northwest Florida Pageant

Several young ladies vied for the chance to advance to the 2013 Miss Northwest Florida Pageant this weekend at the Miss Choctawhatchee Pageant held annually in Panama City the first weekend in November. The next scheduled preliminary is Miss River City which will be held July 21 at 2 p.m. (CT) in the Blountstown Middle School Auditorium. Deadline to enter is June 30 and the entry fee is $65.

Any girl who lives in Northwest Florida, attends or has graduated from an accredited Northwest Florida school, has never been married, or never been pregnant is eligible for this Pageant. Attire is short pageant dress for Baby-Little Miss and long pageant attire for Junior-Miss.

One winner will be crowned in each division. A minimum of four contestants is needed in each age division in order to have the division. Misconduct by contestants or parents will not be tolerated and can lead to disqualification by the director, Robyn Parrish-Hill. All proceeds raised from this event will be donated to the Chipola Area Healthy Start Coalition.

For more information on the Miss Northwest Florida Pageant or any upcoming preliminary please contact the Executive Director of Miss Northwest Florida, Robin Mount at missnwfl@yahoo.com or Calhoun County Pageants director, Robyn Parrish-Hill at mizcalhoun@yahoo.com. All proceeds from the pageants benefit the Chipola Area Healthy Start Coalition.

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To the editor:

No quicker had Calhoun County and other high performing school districts begun to celebrate the sweet smell of success on their 2011 school grades when somebody comes along with a skunk to spoil the party. The FCAT turns into a polecat with an unexplainable about face in plummeted school grades for 2012. There was such a public outcry that the Florida Board of Education had to call a quick fix emergency meeting to address those drastic changes in the school grading system. Many concerned questions were asked out right of which the Department of Education had no answer for and leaving many of those questions to be pondered.

Superintendents across the state are infuriated with this year’s results which is destroying the morale and confidence of students and teachers. Personally, I don’t believe there has been any drop off in the level of instruction by teachers and the effort of students to perform well on the FCAT.

Superintendent Jackie Pons of Leon County called for an end to the FCAT. He said, “This goes back to the credibility of the FCAT. Across this great state people have lost confidence and then you lose credibility. Confidence is at an all time low, I bet.”

Superintendent David Miller, of Wakulla (former state of Florida Superintendent of the Year) stated that he saw a train wreck coming from this situation.

Senate President Elect, Don Gaetz (R, Niceville) exclaimed, “I think this is a first class screw up. It couldn’t get a lot worse than that. It loses credibility among those of us who have to defend standardized testing.”

Gaetz called this fiasco “bad management.” He said the department “owes” an honest answer to teachers and students. “It is up to the Commissioner and State Board to evaluate how they got themselves into this mess and who did not get them out of this mess. When you contract for testing and evaluation, you have to ask hard questions about methodology. Clearly someone did not ask hard questions or understand the consequences. This is not a pure science so there is a margin for judgment and subjectivity. But the scope and breadth of the screw up is unforgivable. There is nothing wrong with raising the standards but the drastically lower 2012 state writing scores indicate something is wrong with the evaluation method, not the standards set by the state board.”

Both Senator Bill Montford and Superintendent Jackie Pons want to see the method that was used to grade the essays and see the instruction given to the “scorers” who are trained to grade the papers.

Montford called for a start- to-finish analysis of the action that led to a significant major of Florida students not reaching the proficiency level on the FCAT writing session.

The following statement is from the Florida PTA: “We ask, are our public schools being set up to fail, therefore creating the choice for parents to remove their children from our public school system and place them in private, for profit-institutions using our taxpayers dollars? Is this a coincidence or a plan?”

Questioned was the Jeb Bush Foundation-led initiative to back the Trigger Bill which gave parents the power to control school transfers and even close low performing schools. The PTA asked if the state officials had given any thought to the emotional “roller coaster” they had created for Florida’s children.

There are many people that believe a change to readjust those scores is a step backwards. The truth is that student grades didn’t change. The only change was how schools were affected by the new grading system.
**ARREST REPORTS**

compiled by Journal Editor Teresa Eubanks

Man charged after trooper investigating accident smells marijuana odor

A passenger in a car that slipped off SR 20 during a heavy rainstorm around 3 p.m. on May 13 was charged with possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana after a trooper responding to the wreck noticed the odor of burning marijuana inside the vehicle.

The driver, Ashli Regina Harvey, 24, of Tallahassee was traveling east that afternoon when she pulled out to pass the vehicle ahead and accelerated to 65 mph. As she entered the eastbound lane in front of the vehicle she pulled, her 2009 Chevrolet Malibu hydroplaned. The car went onto the south grass shoulder while rotating in a slight clockwise motion. The car entered a water-filled ditch, where the right side and rear of the vehicle collided with several small trees.

The accident happened approximately 1.5 miles east of SR 65 in Hosford. Damages to the car were estimated at $3,500.

When FHP Trooper Jason King arrived, he noticed the strong smell of burning marijuana. Before he began to search the car, the backseat passenger stated that he had some marijuana. Kenneth Cree Bulklo, 25, handed over five marijuana cigarettes tucked into a pocket. They were all talkative and cooperative. Bulklo, 25, handed over five marijuana cigarettes tucked into a pocket and said, “They were fighting.” Another said, “She had a knife.”

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Two people living on SE Cow Patch Road in Blountstown were both charged after deputies responded to a report of a woman armed with a knife at the residence.

Constance Amelia Jackson, 54, and 35-year-old Myles Daniel Brown were both taken into custody after a domestic altercation that started when she got upset that he had allowed another woman to move into the home they shared, according to the report from the Calhoun County Sheriff’s Office.

When deputies arrived, witnesses standing outside pointed to the home and said, “They were fighting.” Another said, “She had a knife.”

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A Bristol woman was arrested for possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia after she failed to follow through on an agreement to aid the Liberty County Sheriff’s Office in future drug investigations.

Deputies responded to a report of possible drug activity at the home of Ellis and Karen Summerlin earlier this month. They arrived at the couple’s home around 8 p.m. on May 3 and asked for consent to search the residence.

The couple said there was no methamphetamine being manufactured or used at the residence and agreed to allow the search, according to the arrest report.

Several tin foil strips commonly used to smoke methamphetamine - known as “boots” - were found, some with suspected methamphetamine residue, according to the report from the sheriff’s office. Deputies also reported finding a “makeshift straw with methamphetamine residue.”

According to the arrest report, Karen Summerlin stated the material found was hers, stating, “It’s mine. I will take the charge.” After giving a recorded statement admitting the recovered items belonged to her, she agreed to work with deputies in drug investigations.

She was not arrested at that time.

She was instructed to get in touch with an investigator no later than May 7 but failed to do so. A warrant was then issued for her arrest and she was charged.

**“It’s Time We Restore The Trust”**

Greetings Liberty County Citizens,

To those of you who don’t know me, my name is Eddie Joe White. I am your August 14th, 2012 Democratic Candidate for Sheriff.

I am a proud and lifelong resident of Liberty County. The son of Bill White and Nettie Smith. Grandson of the late Leon and Stella Mae White and Bill and Verna Rankin. I am 20 years married to my beautiful wife “Lynn”, who is the daughter of Jack and Cathy Revell and the late Carol Lindsey Revell. I have two daughters, Jordan Leigh (19) and Shelby Lynn (17), who are both full of life and love this country as I do.

We are members of the First Baptist Church of Bristol. We are an active family in the community and enjoy the people and our lives in Liberty County. I am 40 years old and in perfect health. I have spent my entire career of 21 years in Law Enforcement and Corrections, many of those years spent serving you as a Deputy Sheriff. I am currently serving at Florida State Hospital in a forensic setting, with some of Florida’s most violent offenders. My job requires mental acuity, professionalism, and physical ability. The exact requirements that will allow me to be a successful manager and leader when elected.

As a campaign platform, I would offer equal and fair Law Enforcement throughout the County and a firm stance on drugs. I will conduct the sheriff’s business with an openness and honesty that will restore a trusting relationship between the Sheriff’s office and the community.

I will be accessible twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week and will react to your concerns. I will show tireless concern for our counties seniors and have continuous involvement with the schools and youth.

In closing, I would like to leave you with a thought on what is important to me. God and my family are paramount, I conduct my life ethically and honorable. I have worked hard in my life and will work hard for you.

I am ready to be the Sheriff of Liberty County and when elected, I will restore the people’s trust in the office of the sheriff.

I look forward to speaking with each of you individually and will be glad to answer questions. Please call 379-8609 or email me at EddieWhitecampaign_2012@yahoo.com.

Respectfully,

Eddie Joe White
A message from Ruth Attaway

My decision to retire was a difficult one for me as I care so much about Calhoun County. I feel that the Clerk’s Office is the hub of County Government in Calhoun County. If the Clerk’s Office fails to operate in an efficient and effective manner for our citizens, every citizen of the County is adversely affected. In the last twelve years, I have made dramatic changes in how the Clerk’s Office operates to better serve each of you personally and the county as a whole. My goal from day one was that each person that walks into the Clerk’s office is served immediately and with respect.

So as I leave the Clerk’s Office, my concern is that this level of service, integrity, and efficiency continue. Often a retiring elected official will recommend or endorse an employee so that there will be a continued level of good service. As there was not an employee of the Clerk’s office that expressed an interest in running for Clerk, I have chosen to recommend one of my “Ruth Attaway CPA” employees. That employee is Reneé Attaway Crawford. She is also my daughter.

Reneé Attaway Crawford has worked for me as Lead Accountant and Office Manager in my CPA Office for twelve years. She has proven herself to be a very capable, dependable and responsible employee. There is no doubt in my mind that she can and will (if elected) operate the Clerk’s office with the focus on you, the citizen. My background in the court system and accounting has served me and Calhoun County well, and Reneé’s background is very similar to my own.

Reneé worked in the Gulf County Clerk’s office and in attorneys’ offices for five years learning how the Court System works. Reneé worked for the entity which invests the pension fund for the State of Florida as a Financial Analyst and an assistant Portfolio Manager for seven years, gaining valuable experience in investing and budgeting. Reneé has worked for 12 years in my CPA office serving a wide range of individuals and businesses. She has gained a tremendous amount of experience interacting with various State and Federal Agencies. She holds degrees from Tallahassee Community College and Florida State University.

You can count on RENÉE ATTAWAY CRAWFORD to carry on the duties of Clerk in the same honest and responsible manner that you have enjoyed for the last 12 years.

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Calhoun Co. acquires land & tower for broadband network from Opportunity Florida

Calhoun County officials and representatives of various local agencies including the Calhoun County School Board met together recently to forge an historic agreement that is expected to bring a new level of Internet and data services to northwest Florida.

Reneé Attaway Crawford

With the purchase of adjoining property, was made possible with a Rural Infrastructure Grant through the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (formerly OTTED). The tower will be connected to a Level Three, Inc.-owned fiber network and data center located along SR 20 near the community of Clarksville, west of Blountstown. From the Clarksville tower, data will routed to other tower mounted dishes throughout the region.

Opportunity Florida, recipient of the Rural Infrastructure Grant, will deed the tower to the Calhoun County District Schools. FRBA will market and manage the tower which is expected to generate revenue for the network, Opportunity Florida and, eventually, the Calhoun County School District. Other tower acquisitions, including a near Chipola College are expected within the region over the next several months with the DEO Rural Infrastructure Grant. Within the terms of that grant, the towers are to be publicly owned and provide needed infrastructure to rural areas.

Sheriff David Tatum and Opportunity Florida/FRBA members Vicki Montford, Johnny Eubanks and Kristy Terry. Terry is also executive director for the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce.
Hosford Jr. Beta holds fundraiser for Chris Hansford

It was no ordinary day at Hosford School on Friday, May 11. It turned out to be an ex-traordinary day that our students won’t soon forget! Students got the opportunity to see some of their favorite teachers, administrators and fellow classmates get creamed in the face with a pie! The Junior Beta Club sponsored a week long fund raising drive to raise money to help LCHS Senior Chris Hansford. Chris has medical expenses and we wanted to help him as much as we could. The entire eighth grade class, along with Mr. Mercer, Mr. Day and Mrs. Jeri, agreed to have their names placed on buckets in the library to collect donations. All week students ran through the library and deposited money into the tubs of those they most wanted to see get hit with a pie.

Friday the money was counted and the pies were served! Among student donations, Mr. Mercer received the most money, followed by Mrs. Jeri, the eighth grade students were, Micah McCaskill, Emily Todd, Tessa Bouswell and Mr. Day. In a last ditch effort to save themselves, Mr. Day and Mr. Mercer joined forces and ventured into the community to seek out donations from many elected officials and businesses to help fill Mrs. Jeri’s bucket. They came back to school with donations totaling $1,355 from Sue Summers, Donnie Conyers, Roger Reddick, Laban and Linda Bontrager, GCA, Ramsey’s Piggly Wiggly, Doobie Hayes, Robert Hill, Ken Hos-ford, Kyle Peddie, Logan Keven, Blackburn’s Grocery and many more. Our very own Hosford student, Gunter Barber opened his own wallet and gave big money for the opportunity to be the one to pie Mrs. Jeri.

On a side note, LCHS Juniors Sydney Sanders and Micah McCaskill were both challenged to raise $100 for the opportunity to pie each other. Micah raised his money to get Sydney, but she failed to collect her $100 to get Micah back. She came and took her pie like the true trooper she is. And for dragging her into the competition to begin with, Mrs. Miranda Ellis was pied by Sydney! At the same time, the Beta Club also conducted a walk-a-thon. All Hosford Students asked family members and friends to sponsor them in the walk-a-thon to help raise money for Chris as well. The students, through their donations, were able to raise an additional $3,645. This brought our grand total to $3,000. We were able to present Chris with a check May 22 at his Senior Awards Day program. This is such a good cause and there are no words that can adequately express just how good it feels to be able to help Chris. Our students went above and beyond our wildest expectations and really dug deep to help us be able to accomplish this task. We love and appreciate our eighth graders for being such good sports and for agreeing to endure a little embarrassment to help out a fellow student. We are most appreciative to the members of our community who time and time again help and support our students in ways too numerous to mention. This school is great because of the community which stands behind and supports it! Hosford’s Beta Club wishes to thank each and every one of you who contributed to this fundraising drive. We could not have done it without your support.

If we missed you and you didn’t get a chance to make a donation to help Chris Hansford, but would like to do so, we will continue to take donations until the end of the school term. June 4. You may drop your donation by the school or mail it to us at: Hosford School Junior Beta Club, Attention: Flowers, P. O. Box 10 Hosford, Fl 32334. We will be glad to forward it on to Chris for you.

LCHS School News


Eleven LCHS students pass Certified Medical Administrative Assistant exam

Eleven Liberty County High School students in the Allied Health Academy recently took the Certified Medical Ad-ministrative Assistant exam. This industry certification will allow students to work in the medical administrative field upon graduation. The pass rate of 100% is excellent and we are proud of our students’ accomplishment. We would like to thank AT&T’s CEEF STEM at Work grant for funding this opportunity. Through this grant we were able to buy study guides, practice test, and pay for the students’ exams.

W. R. Tolar kindergarten registration set for May 30

W.R. Tolar will be holding registration for 2012-13 kindergarten classes. Any child who will be five years old on or before September 1, 2012 and did not attend PreK classes at Early Learning Center needs to register for kindergarten.

Students who are currently enrolled in Liberty County’s preschool program are not required to register. Registration at Tolar will be held on May 30. If your child did not attend the PreK program in Liberty County please arrive at 9 a.m. (ET) to fill out enrollment forms and other paper work. Please bring a copy of your child’s birth certificate, social security card, current physical form, and proof of current immunizations and documentation of Liberty county residency. If your child did attend the PreK program in Liberty County he/she will be coming over on or after 9:30 a.m. with the school on this day. Please contact the guidance office at 643-2426 ext. 118 or ext. 119 with any questions.

Menus

Thursday

BREAKFAST: Pancakes and syrup with sausage patty.
LUNCH: Sliced ham and whole grain pasta or tur- key, chicken or beef, green peas, dinner roll, whole wheat buttered toast, fruit cup, and assorted fruit or fruit juice.
FRIDAY: Sliced ham and cheese biscuit with po-ached egg, choice of assorted cereal or whole grain pasta or turkey, cheese and home baked cookie.

Friday

BREAKFAST: Whole wheat pancakes with ham. LUNCH: Mandarin orange chicken or open faced pepperoni sandwich or tur-key and cheese casserole, french fries, carrots, salad with dress- ing, garlic bread and potato- banners.

Saturday

BREAKFAST: Cheese eggs with scrambled eggs. LUNCH: Statue breakfast omelet or baked corn dog or baby turkey, ham and cheese biscuit, scallion, carrots, salad with dress- ing, whole grain pasta or tur-key and cheese on au-pair, and assorted fruit or fruit juice.

Sunday

BREAKFAST: Cheese grits with whole wheat buttered toast and assorted fruit or fruit juice.

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LUNCH: Sliced ham and whole grain pasta or tur-key and cheese casserole, french fries, carrots, salad with dress- ing, garlic bread and potato- banners.

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Altha School treats Young Readers to sundae party

This year we had 60 students take part in the Sunshine State Young Reader competition. In order to participate the students were required to read at least three Sunshine State books and pass an Accelerated Reader test on the books. There were two divisions that were a part of the contest, the elementary division (third through fifth grade students), and middle school division (sixth through eighth grade students). In the elementary division, reading all of the 15 Sunshine State books was fourth grader Tracylee King. In middle school, there were five students (SSYRA) is coordinated by library media specialists in schools participating in the program. The 60 students that participated were all awarded with a ice cream sundae for their originality, neatness, creative design, taste, overall appearance and the ability to follow directions. The winners received a prize for their outstanding hard work. This year’s winners were Group three, Country Garden. Congratulations to the winners! Everyone did a fantastic job and all the cupcakes tasted amazing.

Tracylee King topped his sundae with everything.

BHS names eight to the 2012 Senior Hall of Fame

by Tabatha Bramblet

Last week at BHS our teachers voted for eight seniors that they believe are hard working and set great examples for their peers. We would like to congratulate the seniors that were elected. They will also be pictured in 2011/2012 yearbook. All eight of these students have high hopes and remarkable dreams for their futures.

*Jetta plans to attend Chipola then go to FAMU to study Psychology. Her favorite quote is “You cannot find peace by avoiding life,” by Virginia Woolf.

*Sarah also plans to go to Chipola but then go to FSU to study Sports Medicine. Her favorite quote is “A person who chooses not to read has no advantage over a person who can’t read,” by Mark Twain.

*Trisha is attending the University of Florida to study Health Science; her favorite things to do are cheerleading, tumbling, hunting, and going to the river. Her favorite quote is “If you’re scared, go to church.”

*Sarah also plans to go to Chipola but to become a nurse. Her favorite quote is “Don’t cry because it’s over. Smile because it happened,” also by Dr. Suess.

*Jawon plans to attend Chipola for a year and the theme for each group was as follows:

- Group one- ‘Under the Sea’ Samantha Nichols, Chris Waldron, Sam Scott and Destiny Watts.
- Group three- ‘Country Garden’ Marissa Coleman, Ashley Wagner, Tyler Hill, Elizabeth Bailey, Ashlyn Barfield, and Taylor Young.
- Group four- ‘Let’s Go to the Beach’ Lonnie Pitts, Alicia Griffin, Emily Sewell, Brianna Yon, Kennedy Yon and Mercer Holt.

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Group one shows off their Under the Sea display.

ALTHA WILDCATS

The past few weeks the culinary class has been working on their own version of “cupcake wars.” The students were able to pick their own theme and the requirements were that they must contain at least 50 cupcakes with two different flavors. Everything on the cupcakes must be edible and some sort of cupcake stand must be created to match the theme. The students got to experiment with using fondant and different types of icings and batters. There were four different groups and the theme for each group was as follows:

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Kids of Character for April

Principal Ladona Kelley proudly announces Altha School’s Kids of Character for the month of April, demonstrating the character trait of Virtue. FRONT ROW (from left): Mason Young, John David Hollis, Maddison Quarterbaun, Morgan Russell. SECOND ROW: Ashley Feldman, Brooklyn Brookshire, Sydney Helms, Dallas Jones. On the third row, Bobbi Finuff, Chase Fielder, Mason Smith, Jordan Sumner. Not pictured is Isabella Young.

BES first graders present ‘Circus, Circus’ May 18

The first grade class presented the play “Circus, Circus” on Friday, May 18. There were clowns, strong men, lions, a circus band, vendors, tight rope walkers, trapeze girls and more.

TEEN TRENDSETTERS HOLD PARTY FOR BES – The Teen Trendsetters from BHS came Tuesday and had a party for the BES students they have been working with all of this year.

YEARBOOK SALE STILL GOING ON – Order a 2011-2012 yearbook today. It is not too late. The deadline has been extended until May 31.

BHS Calendar of events

Wednesday, May 23 – Awards Day - 8:30 A.M., FCA Huddle – 7:30 A.M.
Thursday, May 24 – Senior Exams
Friday, May 25 – Senior Exams, last day to turn in volunteer hours
Tuesday, May 29 – Senior Night 7 p.m.

FROM LEFT: The Hall of Fame Seniors include Jetta Jackson, Gigi Gutierrez, Kelcey Bontrager, Jawon Mosley, Shaquala Butler, Tabatha Bramblet and Sarah Barton. Not pictured is Trent Smith.

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How to maintain fresh-cut flowers

Fresh flowers serve many purposes. A bouquet of flowers can be a gift on a special holiday or birthday. Some people apologize with flowers, while others use flowers to convey feelings of love or appreciation. Many people like to display fresh-cut flowers in their homes because their beauty can brighten the mood indoors. Others plant rows and rows of flowers in a garden with the express purpose of cutting them and bringing them into the home. While outdoor flowers can remain beautiful and bountiful outside, once they are cut, there is a limited amount of time before they begin to wilt and wither. But there are ways to prolong the life of cut flowers to enjoy their beauty as long as possible.

* Cut correctly. Creating a large enough surface area on the stem for the uptake of water is essential. That is why florists recommend cutting the stem on a slant to expose more area to the water.

* Place flowers in water immediately. Some people advocate cutting the stems while they’re actually submerged in water. However, you will probably be fine if you simply recut the stems on flowers you brought inside and immediately put them in a vase of water. The key is not to let the tip of the stem dry out or close up with an air bubble, sap or other substances, preventing the uptake of water. Be sure to use lukewarm water so as not to shock the blooms.

* Remove leaves. Take off the leaves of the plant that would end up underwater in the vase. Exposure to the water could cause the leaves to rot and fall off, creating algae or sludge in the vase water. It also may breed extra bacteria or attract small insects to the water. However, do not remove the thorns from roses, as this tends to shorten their shelf life.

* Choose young flowers. Mature flowers may have peaked and begun to make room for a new round of blooms, so try to choose young buds or blooms that just opened so that you’ll have an opportunity to enjoy them longer.

* Create a viable water atmosphere. Once a fresh flower is cut and a stem is placed in water, bacteria and fungi can start to grow almost immediately. These microscopic organisms can cloud the small tubes inside the stem that suck up water for nourishment. Many florists send home a packet of water additive to alleviate some problems in the indoor environment. The packet will contain a biocide that kills bacteria and fungi. There will be an acidifier as well as sugar. The acidifier makes the water more acidic to allow better absorption of water up the stem. The sugar is a food source for the flowers. Homeowners who cut flowers from their gardens can purchase these additives or create their own variations from items around the house. It has been said a penny in the water will kill the microorganisms because copper is a fungicide. An aspirin can make the water more acidic. You can also try small amounts of bleach, lemon-lime soda or even antiseptic mouthwash.

* Keep flowers away from fruit, which gives off gases as it ripens, causing flowers to age faster. Also, keep the flowers away from direct sunlight and try to keep them in a cool place.

* Change the water. Keep on top of water maintenance by changing it at least every 2 to 3 days to maintain good water health. Be sure to replace the additives each time you change the water.

By following a few strategies you can keep fresh-cut flowers lasting longer for enjoyment.
In Loving Memory of
Larry James Fine
Even though you have been gone away for a long time. I still remember you and miss you each day. All of us miss you, but we’re hoping and believe we will see you again one day.
Remember we Love you.
Love Momma & Family
Mary Hendrix

OBITUARIES

LESTER WALTER SUMMERS
BRISTOL—Lester Walter Summers, 76, of Bristol, passed away Friday, May 18, 2012. He was born August 29, 1935 to the late Addison and Jessie (McDaniel) Summers and had lived all of his life in Liberty County where he served as tax collector for 32 years. He was an active member and deacon of Lake Mystic Baptist Church, served in the U. S. Army and later in the Army Reserve. He was also very active in his community. He was a founding member of the Liberty County Ambulance Service and Volunteer Fire Department, where he served for many years. In addition, he was a past-president of the American Cancer Society, an active member of the Lions Club and Liberty County Chamber of Commerce and a Mason of Dixie Lodge No. 109.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Linda Duggar Summers; his parents, Addison Lewis and Jessie Lee (McDaniel) Summers; two brothers, Gordon Summers and A. L. Summers, Jr.; one sister, Elnia Summers.

Survivors include his wife, Maxine P. Summers of Bristol; one son, Walt Summers and his wife, Danielle of Bristol; one daughter, Angela Read of Bristol; one stepson, Jerry Nelson and his wife, Teresa of Tallahassee; one stepdaughter, Gay Calif and her husband, Wayne of Bristol; six grandchildren, Summer Ann Read, Jessica Read, Clarissa Gordon, Jason King and his wife, Amanda, Erica Dees and her husband, Marty of Bristol; five great-grandchildren, Amber and Michael King, Jake and Emily Dees and Maia Roden; two sisters, Iona Eubanks of Tallahassee and Joyce Hosford of Hosford.

Services were held Monday, May 21 at Lake Mystic Baptist Church with Reverend Jerry Chunelly officiating. Interment followed in Lake Mystic Cemetery.

Adams Funeral Home in Bristol was in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences may be made at adamsfh.com.

RODNEY DALE MONEY
BRISTOL—Rodney Dale Money, 76, of Bristol, passed away Friday, May 18, 2012 in Blountstown. He was born November 2, 1935 in Bristol and had lived in Liberty County all of his life. He was a retired carpenter and a veteran of the Korean Conflict, serving in the United States Marine Corps. He was a member of the Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Janice Money of Bristol; one son, Tony Money of Blountstown; two daughters, Debbie Shepard and her husband, Johnny and Dawn Murphy and her husband, Mike, all of Bristol; eight grandchildren, Jason Money, Crystal (Money) Dalton and her husband, Kyle, Carli Lynn Money, Michael Trey Morris, Paige and Josh Shepard, Trevor Murphy and Wesley Sansom, Jr.; one great-grandson, Kaleb Dalton.

Services were held Monday, May 21 at Peavy Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Coy Col-lins officiating. Interment followed in Lake Mystic Cemetery.

Peavy Funeral Home in Blountstown was in charge of the arrangements.

JANE PORTER LEMACKS
QUINCY—Jane Porter Lemacks, 76, of Tallahassee and formerly of Quincy, passed away Saturday, May 12, 2012 in Cairo, GA. She was born July 30, 1935 in Quincy. She was a member of the Centenary United Methodist Church in Quincy.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Dr. H. V. and Anna Wolfe Porter; two brothers, Don Porter of Quincy and John Porter of Ocala; three grand-children, Taylor, Robert and Brooke Lemacks. Family will receive friends at one hour prior to service time in the church parlor.

Services were held Wednesday, May 23 at 11 a.m. at Centenary United Methodist Church. Interment will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery.

Charles McClellan Funeral Home in Quincy is in charge of the arrangements.

LEWIS WEBSTER MILEY, SR.
QUINCY—Lewis Webster Miley, Sr., 62, of Quincy, passed away Tuesday, May 15, 2012.

Survivors include his mother, Elna Rushing Miley; his younger siblings, Billy, Diane, Jack and Louise; one son, Lewis W. Miley Jr. and his wife, Joan of Panama City Beach and their children, Tamara, Tan, Morgan and Brian; one daughter, Rebecca Ann and her husband, Albert Campbell of San Marcos, TX and their children, Kasey and Jacob.

Interment was held May 19 in Pine Grove Cemetery in Greensboro where he now rests next to his father, Luther W. Miley.

McClellan Funeral Home in Quincy was in charge of the arrangements.

You can send your favorite memories, photos and stories of Lewis to “mileychildren@gmail.com.”

WALTER ANDREW RADNEY
KiNARD—Walter Andrew Radney, 77, of Kinard, passed away Sunday, May 20, 2012. He was born in Montgomery, AL and had lived for the past 12 years in Kinard. He loved to fish and was an outgoing, kind spirited person.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Walter Andrew, Sr. and Grace (Ruf) Radney.

He had no immediate family but he is survived by many friends.

Visitation will be held Friday, May 25 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Adams Funeral Home in Blountstown.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, May 26, at 2 p.m. in Webb Cemetery in Alabama. Interment will follow.

Adams Funeral Home in Blountstown is in charge of the arrangements.

BONNIE E. PARKER
HOFSOR—Bonnie E. Parker, 78, of Hosford, passed away Sunday, May 13, 2012. He was born October 18, 1933. He was a retired air pressure specialist for Southern Bell. He loved to garden and can all types of fruits and vegetables. He also loved riding the woods, fishing, hunting and trap shooting. For the past several years, he gave back to nature, feeding the animals he used to hunt. His memory will be forever in our hearts.

Survivors include his loving wife of 60 years, Sue, three daughters and three grandchildren.

Memorial services were held Friday, May 18 at Turner Funeral Home in Brooksville.

Bivis Funeral Home in Bristol was in charge of the arrangements.

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AT&T iPhone 4, with autobox, case and wall charger, in excellent condition, $225. Call 447-3275.

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Toshiba satellite laptop, AMD Turion 64 x 2 dual mobile processor, 3 GB with labelshafe and Skype. Loaded with all accessories, $1,000 or will trade for a good riding lawn mower. Call 647-1840.

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Canoe, 16 foot, $125. Call 643-3671.

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Entertainment center, $25. Call 643-5011.

Crib/Toddler bed, cherry wood, with new mattress and bumper pads, $100; antique maple dresser, $100; antique wall table, black, $20; glass top desk, $100; antique leather top coffee table with leaf on each end, $40. Call 699-3959.

Antique table, $450; single waterbed, no frame, $50. Call 674-3264.


4x4 Cabinet with 2 drawers, $40. Call 674-3264.

Large leather recliner, dark green, a little worn but very comfortable. $50. Call 643-6376.

Queen bed set, pillow top mattress, box spring and frame, headboard, dresser and mirror, night stand. $500. Call 643-6379.

Lounge Chair, $50. Desk, $15. Single bed frame and headboard (no foot), $8. Tall rack with shelves, $45. Call 674-3264.

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The FWC reminds boaters to boat smart, safely.

Because Memorial Day weekend, which kicks off summer activities, is right around the corner, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) reminds all boaters in Florida to reevaluate themselves to boating safely.

“Florida is a great place to enjoy boating your tradition,” said Col. Jim Brown, director of the FWC’s Division of Law Enforcement. “That weekend marks the unofficial beginning of summer and means even more people will be out on the water. National Safe Boating Week (May 19-25) also presents an opportunity to emphasize the importance of remaining safe while boating.”

Memorial Day weekend is May 26-29. The safe-boating effort is timely, as people have already lost their lives this year due to boating accidents.

“We want to reach out to as many boaters as we can to help them understand that most boating accidents are preventable,” Brown said. “FWC officers are committed to keeping people safe, as well as possible, but we need your help.”

The FWC reminds boaters to enjoy their time on the water by remembering a few safety precautions, such as remaining alert while operating a boat, wearing a life jacket at all times and designating a sober boat operator.

According to the FWC, inattentiveness of the operator often contributes to boating accidents, and statistics show that more than 64 percent of the 66 boating-related deaths confirmed last year were attributed to drowning. The wide variety of comfortable, affordable and stylish life jackets on the market today offers all boaters the protection they need.

“Boating smart and safely could result in fewer injuries and deaths each year,” Brown said. More information can be found by visiting www.MyFWC.com/Boating.
Notice of Tax Certificates for Liberty County Delinquent Real Property Tax 2011

Notices are hereby given that the Liberty County Tax Collector has advertised, and will accept offers for the purchase of the following real property tax delinquencies for the period of tax default beginning October 1, 2009 and ending September 30, 2010: 

BLK 1 ESTEFUANILA UNIT 1 O.R. BK. 19, P. 360, SEC. 16, 174.40 AC. (ADD'L LEGAL SEE TAXROLL)

BLK 2 ESTEFUANILA S/D #1 O.R. BK. 46, P. 417 or 410/365, SEC. 16, 174.40 AC. (EASIER TITLE SEE TAXROLL)

105 SEC. 1-2S-8W LOTS 12-19 EXCL. 17/48 SITEEFSALLA S/D #1 O.R. BK. 19, P. 360, SEC. 16, 174.40 AC. (ADD'L LEGAL SEE TAXROLL)

184 R 0499040 $272.85 015-2S-8W-02900-000 .53 AC. O.B. 1389P15087 205 9038 NW COUNTY ROAD 379 VERNON, FL 32666


186 R 0493030 $233.93 015-2S-8W-02900-000 .37 AC. O.B. 0819P02219 GRIFFIN, THOMAS W. 7570 OAKRIDGE DR. WINDSOR, GA 30287 SEC. 16, 175.24 AC. (ADD'L LEGAL SEE TAXROLL)

187 R 0492800 $280.00 015-2S-8W-02500-000 3.10 AC. O.B. 0038P00006 KEITH, GEORGE ANN 2130 NW LANDING ROAD BRISTOL, FL 32316 SEC. 15-2S-8W LOT 9 C.O.R. BK. 15, P. 1240, SEC. 16, 174.40 AC. (ADD'L LEGAL SEE TAXROLL)

RAW TEXT END
The First Annual Blountstown Fire Department Catfish Crawl 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run was an awe-some success!

One hundred and twenty-four registered runners, more than half from out of town, converged on the Depot Park and made tracks down the Blountstown Greenway Bike Path to help BFD raise funds for their Scholarship Fund.

After a prayer from Blountstown First Pentecostal Church Pastor David Goodman, Retired Fire Chief Harvey Grantham gave the command to start the race.

A quick 17:45 later, Wewahitchka runner Billy Naylor crossed the finish line as the overall male winner, followed closely by fellow Wewa runner Jakob Bidwell and Blountstown Runner Thomas Howell. Hannah Plazarin crossed the line as the overall female winner with a time of 21:41.

“This was a particularly fast race.” Says Fire Chief Ben Hall. “The entire field finished in under an hour!”

There were also at least 15 first time runners in this race, and several who set personal records for time. Blountstown’s Greenway Bike Path really shined on Saturday, providing a flat and fast course. According to local runners Neva Miller and Sue Price, even providing a little wildlife experience, as a large deer crossed the trail in front of them during the race!

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Full moon run planned June 1 in Blountstown

An after dark fun run under the full moon along the streets of Blountstown will be held Friday, June 1. Participants will meet at the Depot in Blountstown at 8 p.m. CT. We’ll hit the streets at 8:15!

Everyone is welcome to join us in this slow paced run. Contact Ben Hall for more information.

First Annual Catfish Crawl 5K reels in a crowd

The First Annual Blountstown Fire Department Catfish Crawl 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run was an awe-some success!

One hundred and twenty-four registered runners, more than half from out of town, converged on the Depot Park and made tracks down the Blountstown Greenway Bike Path to help BFD raise funds for their Scholarship Fund.

After a prayer from Blountstown First Pentecostal Church Pastor David Goodman, Retired Fire Chief Harvey Grantham gave the command to start the race.

A quick 17:45 later, Wewahitchka runner Billy Naylor crossed the finish line as the overall male winner, followed closely by fellow Wewa runner Jakob Bidwell and Blountstown Runner Thomas Howell. Hannah Plazarin crossed the line as the overall female winner with a time of 21:41.

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INVITATION TO BID
Sealed bids will be received by the Calhoun County School Board until 4 p.m., CDT, Thursday, June 14, 2012, for the purchase of the following:

Gasoline and Diesel for use in the operation of public vehicles, school buses and school plants.

LPG for use in lunchrooms and schools of Calhoun County.

Any additional information or bid forms required may be obtained at the Office of the School Superintendent, 20859 Central Ave. E., Rm. 20, Blountstown, Florida. Bid forms must be used by each bidder submitting a bid. Otherwise bids will not be considered.

Any bid submitted after the specified hour and date will not be opened or considered. The Board accepts no responsibility for mailed proposals that arrive at the Superintendent’s Office after the above stated time, even though the envelope may reflect a postmark prior to the above date.

The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. The decision of the Board will be final. No bids may be withdrawn by any bidder for a period of thirty (30) days after bids are opened.

Tim Smith, Chairman Calhoun County School Board

ATT: Wilson T. McClellan, Superintendent Calhoun County Schools

20859 Central Ave. E., Rm. 20
Blountstown, Florida

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO. 2010-20-CA

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP

v.

FLA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP

Plaintiff

v.

BOBBY SHIVER; PAM SHIVER

Defendants.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 39-2010-CA

US BANK, N.A.

Plaintiff

v.

KELLI N. OWENS; UN-
KNOWN SPOUSE OF KELLI
N. OWENS; UNKNOWN

TENANT 1; UNKNOWN

TENANT 2; and all unknown parties claiming by, through, order of sale or trust (the persons named Defendant(s)), who (if any) not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devises, grantees, assigns, legatees, creditors or spouses, or other claimants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Final Judgment dated May 3, 2012, in Case No. 39-2010-CA, that the following described property, being the real and personal property of KELLI N. OWENS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KELLI N. OWENS; UNKNOWN TENANT 1; UNKNOWN TENANT 2, and all unknown parties claiming by, through, order of sale or trust (the persons named Defendant(s)), who (if any) not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devises, grantees, assigns, legatees, creditors or spouses, or other claimants, shall be sold by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit, in and for Liberty County, Florida, to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the courthouse, at 10818 N.W. State Road 20, Bristol, Liberty County, Florida 32321, in accordance with section 45.031, Florida Statutes, in accordance with the following method (check one):

1. A public sale on June 5, 2012, to June 23, 2012, at 10818 N.W. State Road 20, Bristol, Liberty County, Florida 32321, in accordance with section 45.031, Florida Statutes, pursuant to the Final Judgment set forth above.

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Driver charged after officers see vehicle swerving

A 50-year-old Blountstown resident was charged with DUI and driving while license suspended or revoked with knowledge after two officers with the Blountstown Police Department saw him swerving and unable to stay in his lane as he traveled north on Pear Street on May 11. The 2001 Nissan was pulled over and officers noticed a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage as they spoke with the driver, Curtis Trent Huile. Officers found that Huile’s driver’s license had been suspended for failure to pay traffic fines and failure to complete a substance abuse class.

His passenger, Barbara Pouncy, was cited for having an open container of alcohol. Huile requested a sobriety evaluation after being taken to the police department but was unable to perform satisfactorily. A sample of his breath resulted in a blood alcohol reading of .170 and .177. The legal limit is .08.

Huile was handcuffed and taken to the Liberty County Jail, where he refused to give a breath sample to determine his level of intoxication. King told him it would result in a longer suspension of his license. He is being held on $2,500 bond.

DUI ARREST

in a hurry to get home after being at a friend’s house in Blountstown and said he did not have a driver’s license.

When asked if he had been drinking, Concilio picked up the tequila bottle and said he had several shots around midnight. After a portable breath test gave an alcohol reading of .103, the driver was taken into custody and his van impounded.

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The trooper’s report noted that there was a strong odor of alcohol emitting from the driver’s face and his speech was slurred.

When King asked what happened, O’Bryan replied that he wasn’t sure but he had crashed his truck. He admitted to drinking “about a quart” of beer and pleaded, “Please don’t take me to jail.”

After he agreed to take a roadside sobriety test, O’Bryan struggled to get out of the truck and walk where the trooper directed him. The test was stopped after O’Bryan swayed several times and nearly fell down twice.

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Concilio was charged with DUI and driving without a valid driver’s license. He was cited for passing in a no passing zone, unlawful speed, not wearing a seatbelt and possession of an open container.
Hosford Kindergarten Graduation

The 43 graduates in this year’s Hosford School Kindergarten Class showed plenty of spirit as they took part in the May 15 ceremony, which was themed “Learning and Growing Together.” The children performed for their parents and teachers, sharing what they learned in the past year. RIGHT: Malaina Jordan puts lots of emotion into her song.

SHELBY RODDENBERRY PHOTOS

ABOVE LEFT: Rylan Roddenberry gives the thumbs up and a big smile for the camera while wearing glasses that spell out “GRAD.” ABOVE CENTER: Jacob Wright, Kallan Mercer, Kent Hosford and Caden Branch sing and dance. BELOW: Wyatt Hunter beams as he gets his diploma from School Superintendent Sue Summers.

ABOVE LEFT: The boys relax after shedding their graduation robes. RIGHT: Jackson Mayo sports some shades. BELOW: Jacob Wright, Kallan Mercer, Kent Hosford, Caden Branch, Wyatt Hunter, Emilee Webb and Tanner McSpadden perform for the audience. CENTER: Kallan Mercer takes her turn at the mike.